

## COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

*Exchange of notes at Quito October 2 and November 14, 1947*

*Entered into force November 14, 1947; operative January 22, 1948*

*Extended by agreements of August 16 and 21, 1948; <sup>1</sup> August 15 and 24, 1949; <sup>1</sup> September 15, 1950; <sup>2</sup> September 27, 1951; <sup>3</sup> March 18 and 31, 1952; <sup>4</sup> and March 17 and April 12, 1955 <sup>5</sup>*

*Expired June 30, 1960*

61 Stat. 3902; Treaties and Other  
International Acts Series 1749

*The American Chargé d'Affaires ad interim to the Minister of Foreign Affairs*

EMBASSY OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

*Quito, October 2, 1947*

No. 325

EXCELLENCY:

I have the honor to refer to the exchange of notes between His Excellency Sr. Dr. Camilo Ponce Enriquez, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Government of Ecuador, and The Honorable Robert McGregor Scotten, Ambassador of the United States to the Government of Ecuador, on January 22, 1945,<sup>6</sup> concerning the establishment of a cooperative education program in Ecuador. It will be recalled that my Government agreed to send a small staff of experts and technicians to Ecuador to cooperate with officials of the Ecuadoran Government and, particularly, with the Minister of Public Education, in a specific program for the improvement of public education in Ecuador in accordance with a detailed agreement to be worked out between the Ministry of Public Education and the Inter-American Educational Foundation, Inc.

Following the exchange of the above communications, details with regard to the execution of the program were agreed to by the Minister of Public Education and the President of the Inter-American Educational Foundation, Inc. In accordance with this agreement there was established within the

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<sup>1</sup> 2 UST 629; TIAS 2215.

<sup>2</sup> 2 UST 596; TIAS 2211.

<sup>3</sup> 2 UST 2491; TIAS 2363.

<sup>4</sup> 3 UST 4008; TIAS 2539.

<sup>5</sup> 6 UST 3751; TIAS 3373.

<sup>6</sup> TIAS 1660, *ante*, p. 401.

Ministry of Public Education the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Educacion through which the cooperative program has been administered.

In accordance with recent legislation passed by the Congress of the United States of America, all of the property, assets, functions, personnel, liabilities and restrictions of the Inter-American Educational Foundation, Inc., have been transferred to and assumed by The Institute of Inter-American Affairs, the now corporate instrumentality of the United States Government created by such legislative action.

I have now been informed by the Department of State in Washington that additional funds amounting to \$7,168 U.S. currency have been made available by The Institute of Inter-American Affairs for the continuation of the joint education program in Ecuador to be expended over a period to be mutually agreed upon by the appropriate officials of the Ecuadoran Government and a representative of The Institute of Inter-American Affairs. It has been suggested that the extension of the program cover the period from the expiration date of the present agreement, which is January 22, 1948, through June 30, 1948. It is proposed that the entire additional contribution of \$7,168 U.S. currency, to be made available by the Institute in connection with the continuation of the program, shall be retained by the Institute for payment directly or on account of salaries and other expenses of members of the Institute field staff who are maintained by the Institute in Ecuador. It is also understood that your Government would contribute to the Servicio for expenditure by that entity not less than the equivalent in sucres of \$7,000 U.S. currency, computed at the rate of exchange of 13.4 sucres to the dollar in addition to amounts already required under the present agreement to be contributed to the program by your Government.

If Your Excellency agrees that the proposed arrangement as outlined above is acceptable to your Government, I would appreciate receiving an expression of Your Excellency's opinion and agreement thereto as soon as may be possible in order that the technical details of the program may be worked out by the Ministry of Public Education and The Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

Should Your Excellency advise me that the proposed arrangement is acceptable it would be possible to proceed with the signing of the extension agreement in the name of the Institute immediately, inasmuch as Dr. Pedro Osuna, Special Representative Education Division, The Institute of Inter-American Affairs, in Ecuador, has been authorized to sign on behalf of the Institute.

A copy of a suggested extension agreement is attached hereto for reference to the appropriate interested authorities.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> For text of extension agreement signed Nov. 11, 1947, see 61 Stat. 3904 or p. 3 of TIAS 1749.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

GEO. P. SHAW  
*Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.*

His Excellency

Dr. JOSÉ VICENTE TRUJILLO,  
*Minister for Foreign Affairs,*  
*Quito.*

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*The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the American Ambassador*

[TRANSLATION]

REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS  
DIPLOMATIC DEPARTMENT

No. 265-DDP

QUITO, November 14, 1947

MR. AMBASSADOR:

I have the honor to refer once more to Your Excellency's courteous communication No. 325 of October 2 last and to my communication No. 231-DDP in reply, dated the 18th of the same month, regarding the extension of the Agreement for the functioning of the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Educación in Ecuador for the period between January 22 and June 30, 1948.

2. In accordance with what I took the liberty of stating in paragraph 5 of my aforesaid note, and in view of the reply of the Ministry of Public Education to my inquiry in the matter, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency today that my Government appreciates the importance and usefulness of the work being done by the Servicio Cooperativo de Educación and considers it essential that it be carried through to its conclusion. Therefore, it agrees to and accepts with pleasure the proposal formulated by Your Excellency in the valued communication to which I refer, namely, to extension from January 22 to June 30, 1948, of the program which the Servicio Cooperativo Interamericano de Educación is carrying out in this country; subject to the provisions of the draft agreement thereunto appertaining, enclosed with Your Excellency's note No. 325 of October 2, 1947, the same that was previously discussed and agreed to by the Ministry of Public Education and Dr. Pedro Osuna, Special Representative in Ecuador of the Education Division of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs.

3. For the purpose of making this extension of the said program effective until the date mentioned in the preceding paragraph, the Ministry of Public Education will include in its budget for the year 1948 the item necessary for that purpose; that is to say, the equivalent in sucres of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00 U.S. currency), computed at the rate of exchange of

thirteen sucres, forty centavos (S/.13.40) per dollar, which amount, added to the Seven Thousand One Hundred and Sixty-eight Dollars (\$7,168.00 U.S. currency) that the Institute has at its disposal, will cover the financial requirements of the Servicio Cooperativo de Educación in Ecuador until June 30, 1948.

4. I therefore take pleasure in informing Your Excellency that the Ministry of Public Education is prepared to sign the Agreement in question for extension of the Servicio Cooperativo de Educación Pública in Ecuador with the Representative of the Education Division of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs, in conformity with the text proposed by Your Excellency and with what was agreed upon in the aforesaid conversations that took place between the competent officials.

I avail myself of this welcome opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

For the Minister:

LUIS COLOMA SILVA  
*Under Secretary ad interim*

His Excellency

JOHN F. SIMMONS,  
*Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary  
of the United States of America.*